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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 04853.0115-00000

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: |) | Group Art Unit: 3673 |
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| Kensuke FUJII et al. |) | Examiner: John J. Kreck |
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| Application No.: 10/501,323 |) | Confirmation No.: 7887 |
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| Section 371(c) Date: July 15, 2004 |) | |
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| I.A. Filing Date: December 13, 2002 |) | |
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| For: METHOD OF PURIFYING |) | |
| CONTAMINATED SOIL USING |) | |
| MICROORGANISMS (as amended) |) | |

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Applicants now respond to the Office Action dated August 1, 2005. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of all outstanding rejections. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

Amendment to the Title may be found on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper and begin on page 3.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment section of this paper and begin on page 5.